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| Applicant: | HEID, Hans, L. et al. |) Examiner: |
| Application: No.: | 10/527,750 |) TAPOLCAI, W. |
| Filing Date: | March 14, 2005 |) Art Unit: |
| For: | TEMPERING DEVICE FOR A MICROTOME) 3744 | |

Atty. Docket No.: U195US(PCT)

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above identified application. Please note the following checked items.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Present Number Extra | Rate | FEE |
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| Total claims | 14 | - | 20 | X | x\$ 50 | 0 |
| Independent claims | 1 | - | 3 | X | x\$ 200 | 0 |
| Multiple dependent claim added | | | | | +\$ 360 | 0 |
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- () A Petition for Extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)
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- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of fees
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Deposit Account Number 11-1447.
- (X) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However,
this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that
applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee
for extension of time.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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This communication is in response to the recent Office Action in the subject patent application mailed on September 28th, 2006. The Applicant respectfully submits that no amendment is required at this time for the following detailed reasons.